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SUBJ: CONSULTATIONS WITH FRENCH

1. AT RECEPTION JUNE 5 FRENCH ACTING PERMREP LECOMPT EXPRESSED TO AMB SCHAUFELÉ FRENCH DISSATISFACTION WITH PRECIPITATE WAY IN WHICH US PUSHED SC HANDLING OF ISRAELI-SYRIAN DISENGAGEMENT QUESTION. HE DREW ANALOGY WITH WAY IN WHICH US AND USSR PUSHED THROUGH ME CEASEFIRE RESOLUTIONS LAST FALL.
  2. AFTER NOTING DEMARCHE REPORTED PARIS 13362 LECOMPT ALSO CRITICAL OF US RELUCTANCE TO CONSULT MORE THOROUGHLY AND CONSTANTLY WITH EC-9 AND OTHER WEO'S DURING RECENT SPECIAL SESSION. HE EXPRESSED FULL UNDERSTANDING FOR US PROBLEMS IN THIS REGARD BUT THOUGHT EFFECTIVENESS OF DDC RESISTANCE AND OPPOSITION TO LDC "STEAMROLLER" MATERIALLY REDUCED BY US ATTITUDE.
  3. LE COMPT THEN SUGGESTED THAT US AND FRANCE ENGAGE IN PRE-GA BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS AS US DOES WITH OTHERS. HE THOUGHT THAT SUCH CONSULTATIONS WOULD HELP (1) ACHIEVE COMMON OR AT LEAST SIMILAR POSITIONS ON MANY ISSUES AND TACTICS; (2) PREVENT MISUNDERSTANDINGS WHICH HAVE ARISEN FROM TIME TO TIME; AND (3) DEVELOP STRATEGY TO BLUNT THE UNREALISTIC DEMANDS AND RESOLUTIONS WHICH THE LDC'S TRY TO PUSH THROUGH. LECOMPT SAID HE INTENDED RAISE QUESTION
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AT QUAI WHEN HE RETURNS TO FRANCE ON LEAVE JUNE 7.

4. COMMENT: SINCE WE ALREADY HOLD PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS OF SOME SORT WITH UK, JAPAN, CANADA, USSR AND CHINA, USUN BELIEVES THAT WE SHOULD EXPRESS OUR WILLINGNESS ACCEDE TO THIS INFORMAL APPROACH. WE IN EARLIER YEARS ACCEPTED IN PRINCIPLE IDEA OF BILATERALS WITH FRENCH AND AS LATE AS 1972 USUN BACKED EMB PARIS PROPOSAL FOR PRE-GA CONSULTATIONS IN PARIS.

5. WITH NEW TEAM IN PARIS IS IS POSSIBLE THAT WE CAN ACHIEVE GREATER IDENTITY OF VIEWS THAN HAS BEEN POSSIBLE IN PAST. WE WOULD NOT ANTICIPATE INITIALLY ANY SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN FRENCH POSITIONS BUT SOME FLEXIBILITY AND MODIFICATIONS MAY BE POSSIBLE, AND CERTAINLY AN IMPROVEMENT IN THE ATMOSPHERE COULD BE ONE RESULT.

6. WE RECOMMEND THAT WE BE AUTHORIZED INFORM FRENCH HERE AND EMBASSY PARIS, REFERRING TO LECOMPT'S SUGGESTION, INFORM QUAI THAT IF GOF DESIRES SUCH CONSULTATIONS WE ARE AMENABLE, PLACE AND TIME TO BE FIXED AT OUR MUTUAL CONVENIENCE PRIOR TO 29TH GA.

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